## Animal Show and Sale Rules 2024

**Registration for Show or Sale:** All animals must be preregistered by August 1, 2024 (midnight) No animal entries will be taken at the festival. (There are a few exceptions: see individual Animal rules).

**Out of State Entries**: Entries for show and sale must be vet certified and have interstate health papers. Entries must also adhere to all individual breed requirements which are written by the state veterinarian.

<u>All Entries</u>: Animals may not be unloaded until they have been cleared by the appointed festival Show Chair. Any animal with signs of poor health or infectious disease must be removed from the grounds immediately. Animals transported with suspect animals may be subject to similar treatment.

The festival reserves the right to reject, accept or conditionally accept any entry and does not guarantee space in the show barns to any entry. The festival intends that only animals shall be entered and shown that have merit and will be a credit to both the exhibitor and the festival. An exhibitor who makes a material misrepresentation, misuse of or poor care of their animals, subjects themselves to being barred from all further festival competitions, or shows.

**Check-in & Unloading:** See individual animal event listings for check-in times, show and sales. No animals will be unloaded until they have been cleared by the appointed festival Show Chair.

**Assigned Pens/Stalls:** The festival shall provide exhibitors with assigned space for their animals subject to such rules and regulations as may be prescribed. By providing such space, the festival shall not insure, nor be responsible for the safety of such animals, or the persons tending them.

**Care, Feeding & Safety of Animals:** Is the responsibility of the owner and/or exhibitor of the animal. Exhibitors must provide their own feed, bedding and water buckets.

**Animal and/or Fleece sales:** No animals or merchandise may be sold anywhere on the fairgrounds except through purchase of prearranged booth or stall space. Any violation of this rule will result in the person or person(s) being banned from future festivals for as long as the Board of Directors feels is appropriate. See Farm Booth Rules.

**Premiums:** In the event Premium Funds received from expected sources are reduced or not received, premiums may be prorated among those entitled to same.

## Notes:

If the committee chair feels a veterinarian has to be called in to check an animal's health, the owner is responsible for paying the vet bill for the service call, and any treatment necessary.

All sheep must have special tags for scrapie program. Contact the USDA @ 1.866.873.2824 for the tags. No sheep will be permitted to show or be sold without the scrapie tags in place.

It is the responsibility for all people bringing live animals to this event to be informed of the State of Michigan regulations for exhibiting animals. Information can be found at the following link:

http://www.michigan.gov/mdard/0,4610,7-125-1571 7075---,00.html

Animals that are required to have health certificates will need to have those forms in order to, sell or exhibit. Show Chairs will be responsible for insuring that all animals are in compliance.